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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE FORCE DEVELOPMENT: DISCUSSION WITH CHEF DU
CABINET VAN CAMPEN

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1. DURING DISCUSSION WITH SYG LUNS' CHEF DU CABINET VAN
CAMPEN FEBRUARY 19, CHARGE FOLLOWED-UP ON LUNS' INITIATIVE
TAKEN AT FEBRUARY 17 PERMREPS' LUNCH REGARDING PORTUGAL
(REFTEL). CHARGE BRIEFLY OUTLINED US THINKING ON A TIME-
PHASED FORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PORTUGAL AND ASKED THAT

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SYG LUNS DEFER ANY REQUESTS FOR NATIONAL RESPONSES ON ASSIS-
TANCE TO PORTUGAL UNTIL US AND ALLIES HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY

TO EXAMINE SACEUR AND SACLANT PLANS.

2. VAN CAMPEN SAID SYG WOULD LEAVE IT TO US TO DECIDE WHEN THE
TIME WAS RIPE FOR THIS QUESTION TO BE RAISED FORMALLY WITH OTHER
ALLIES. HE THOUGHT IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT THE EFFORT BE GIVEN A
MULTILATERAL FRAMEWORK AND SAID HE EXPECTED BROAD
ALLIED SUPPORT. STREATOR
UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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